Maine Department of Health and Human Services

Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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Promote and protect the health of Maine people by:

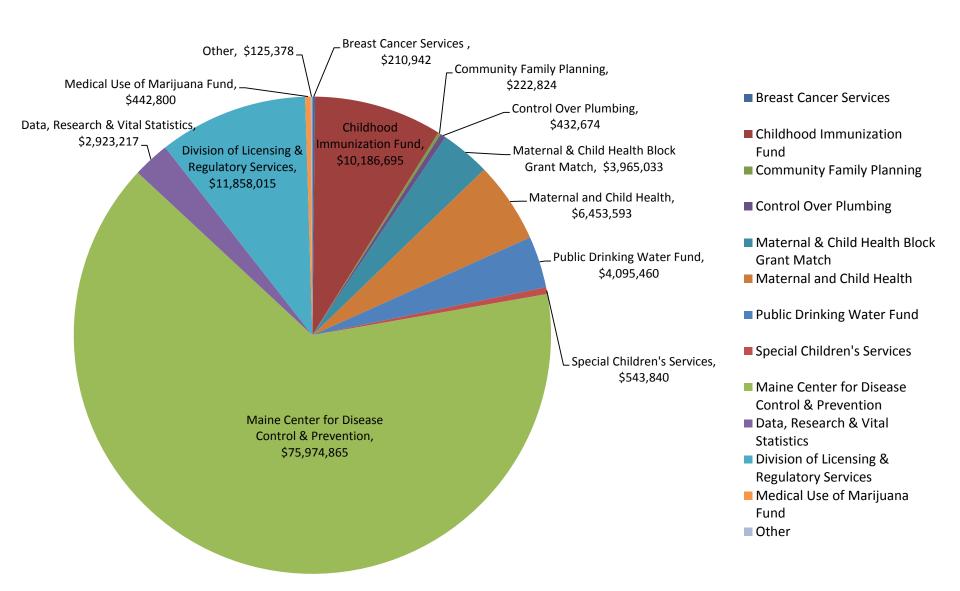
- Tracking the health of Maine's population
- Implementing public health policies and programs that impact our most urgent health priorities
- Identifying and mitigating environmental health hazards
- Preparing for and responding to public health emergencies
- Inspecting and certifying health and care facilities

The Office At A Glance

Positions: 485

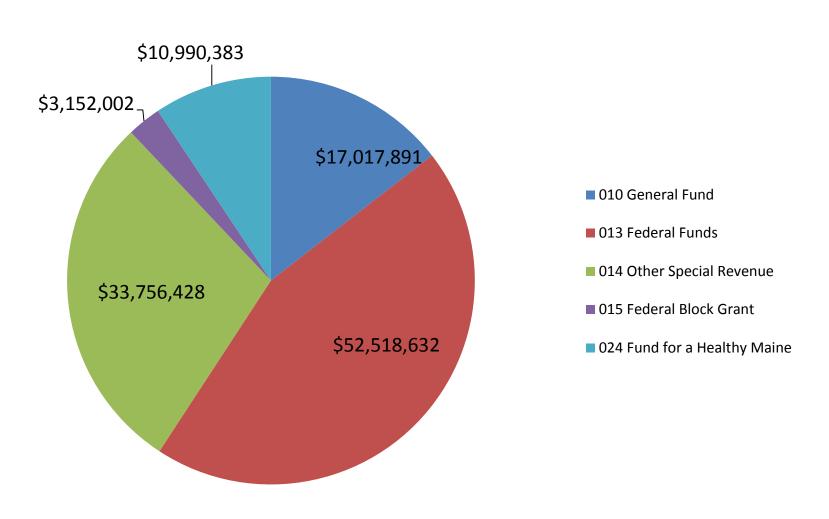
SFY '16 Expenditures: \$117,435,336

CDC: SFY '16 Expenditures by Appropriation



CDC: SFY '16 Expenditures by Fund Type

CDC: Expenditures by Fund (SFY 2016)



CDC – Services We Provide

The five major CDC service areas include:

Infectious Disease Response
Population Health/Disease Prevention
Licensing and Certification
Environmental and Community Health
Public Health Programs and Services

CDC Objectives:

Use public health data to inform and educate

Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems

Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety

Demonstrate efficient and effective use of resources

Infectious Disease Response

- → Provides active surveillance for 78 reportable infectious diseases and conditions.
- → Annually investigates more than 300 potential infectious disease outbreaks and exposures, and follows up on thousands of infectious disease reports.
- → Assures medical case management services for any of the nearly 2,000 people who are under 500% FPL living with HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, or sexually transmitted diseases and for those at risk.
- → Ensures vaccines are available for all Maine children
- → Operates the health and environmental testing lab, available 24/7 to identify health hazards and bioterrorism threats. In 2016, we conducted nearly 70,000 laboratory tests.

Population Health/Disease Prevention

- → Prevents chronic disease by promoting healthy behaviors specifically, increasing to 21 the sites using the evidence based National Diabetes Prevention Program.
- → Prevents tobacco and substance use through programs like the Maine Tobacco Help Line, which last year, supported nearly 2,000 MaineCare members in their effort to quit or reduce tobacco use.
- → Supports children with special health needs, including ensuring hearing screening for 98% of all newborns.
- → Serves more than 20,000 families with children in Maine's communities with WIC services
- → Coordinates with MaineCare to improve primary care quality, leading to our state's overall Health System Performance 11th place ranking*. Maine was ranked first in Health System Prevention and Treatment Performance.

Licensing and Certification

- → Certifies, licenses or investigates more than 2,000 medical entities (e.g., hospitals, laboratories, long term care facilities, assisted housing, residential care, among others) to ensure the health and safety compliance of CMS Conditions of Participation.
- → Oversees Maine Background Check Center which will ensure all criminal databases are reviewed before a new employee begins work with vulnerable populations. We are currently rolling out the program for long term care facilities.
- → Last year, reviewed 283 reportable Sentinel Events and shared data on successes and challenges through collaboratives with covered facilities to improve patient safety.
- → Conducted 1,500 complaint investigations at health care facilities that were based on 6,000 complaints received. Issued 830 Statements of Deficiencies.

Environmental and Community Health

- → Promotes health and safety in restaurants, lodging facilities, camps, schools, and other vendors with nearly 9,717 active licenses in the Health Inspection Program
- → Provides technical assistance and monitoring for more than 1,900 public water systems with onsite inspection at least every three to five years.
- → Monitors child safety standards for more than 2,000 child care providers, residential facilities, child placing agencies, and youth shelters.
- → Facilitates emergency response to natural disasters and environmental hazards
- → Supports actions to keep Maine homes and schools free of harmful levels of radon, lead, and carbon monoxide.
- → Inspects more than 3,300 pieces of x-ray, mammography, and nuclear medicine equipment to ensure proper operation and safety, including issuing 258 radioactive material licenses.

Public Health Programs and Services

- → Administers Maine's vital records systems and cancer registry. Processes nearly 50,000 vital records, including birth, death, marriage, divorce certificates, and adoptions. Responds to 10,600 vital records counter requests, 3,500 mail requests, and 10,800 verifications.
- → Provides data, research, and statistical services through tools including the Behavioral Health Risk Factor Surveillance System and the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System that survey thousands of Maine people annually.
- → Processes more than 1,000 applications monthly, and administers more than 48,000 certificates for the Medical Marijuana Program.
- → Fosters public health capacities and partnerships in nine public health districts.
- → Maintains national public health accreditation.

CDC – On The Horizon

Maintaining national public health accreditation

Addressing health data gaps and disparities

Implementing Maine's State Health Improvement Plan

Supporting Maine's local public health infrastructure

CDC Organization

